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## Memorandum

To: Provosts and Chief Academic Officers

From: Paula K. Compton Ph.D., Associate Vice Chancellor

Date: April 15, 2021 Subject: Survey: OPOTA

**Background Information:** In an effort to have more consistency with the transfer of credit in the area of Ohio Police Officer Training Academy certification (OPOTA) we are exploring recommendations from faculty experts regarding how credits should be accepted at Ohio public institutions. To be eligible, students would need to have successfully completed an OPOTA program approved by the Ohio Department of Education and at Ohio Technical Center or post-secondary institution that is an approved Ohio Peace Officer Basic Training Academy.

**What We Need from You:** This memo addresses the possibility of statewide consistent transfer guidance in the area of OPOTA. We would like to collect feedback regarding the recommendations for awarding credit to an OPOTA certified student. We are trying to keep the best interest of students in mind as we gather suggestions regarding guidance on course credit.

Please arrange to have an appropriate faculty at your institution complete the survey as soon as possible **but no later than Friday, April 30th**. We are collecting **only one representative** response per institution.

A copy of the proposed guidance is attached for reference and will be needed to complete this survey. Mark Ernst, from Wright State University, serves as our lead faculty expert for this area of exploration and worked with a faculty panel in drafting this guidance tool. The online survey is available through the following link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5SW8PMM

The attached PDF of the survey is for reference only. Please use the included link to complete the survey. Thank you for your assistance with this important matter. If you have any questions regarding this survey, please contact Kristi Conrad, Senior Associate Director of SCTAI, at <a href="mailto:kconrad@highered.ohio.gov">kconrad@highered.ohio.gov</a>

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